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Letter dated 30 September 2010 from the Permanent Representative of Cyprus to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

Upon instructions from my Government and further to my letter dated 6 July 2010 addressed to you (A/64/859-S/2010/363), I have the honour to draw your attention to ongoing violations of the international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus by military aircraft of the Turkish Air Force, recorded from 29 June to 31 August 2010, as follows:

On 29 June 2010, two F-16, one CN-235 and one Cougar Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations three times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus twice.

On 30 June 2010, one Cougar Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus.

On 1 July 2010, one Cougar Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus.

On 7 July 2010, one C-130 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations twice and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus twice.

On 10 July 2010, one C-130 and one C-160 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations four times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus four times.

On 13 July 2010, two F-16 and one CN-235 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations twice.

On 14 July 2010, one Cougar Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations twice and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus twice.

On 15 and 16 July 2010, one C-160 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations twice and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus twice.

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On 16 and 18 July 2010, nine NF-5, two CN-235, two C-160, one GLF-5 and two Cougar Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations 12 times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus 12 times.

On 19 July 2010, seven NF-5 and one GLF-3 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations twice and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus twice.

On 20 July 2010, 12 NF-5, one GLF-3, one GLF-4, one CN-235 and two Cougar Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations six times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus four times.

On 21 July 2010, nine NF-5, two C-160, one C-130 and one CN-235 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations 10 times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus 10 times.

On 22 and 23 July 2010, two C-160 and two C-130 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations seven times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus seven times.

On 24 July 2010, one C-160 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus.

On 26 July 2010, two F-16 and one Cougar Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations twice and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus.

On 27 July 2010, four F-16, one CN-235, one Cougar and one Turkish military aircraft of unknown type violated international air traffic regulations four times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus twice.

On 29 July 2010, one Cougar Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus.

On 1 August 2010, one CN-235 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations twice and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus twice.

On 2 August 2010, two CN-235 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations four times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus four times.

On 4 August 2010, one CN-235 Turkish military aircraft violated international traffic regulations twice and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus twice.

On 5 August 2010, two F-16, two CN-235 and four Cougar Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations five times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus twice.

On 7 and 8 August 2010, two CN-235 and five Cougar Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations eight times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus eight times.

On 9 August 2010, one CN-235 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations twice and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus twice.

On 11 August 2010, one CN-235 and one Cougar Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations twice and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus twice.

On 13 and 14 August 2010, two CN-235, three Cougar and five Turkish military aircraft of unknown type violated international air traffic regulations nine times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus six times.

On 16 August 2010, one B-200 and one Turkish military aircraft of unknown type violated international air traffic regulations three times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus three times.

On 17 August 2010, two Cougar Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations twice and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus twice.

On 18 August 2010, one C-160 and one B-200 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations four times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus four times.

On 19 August 2010, two F-16 and two CN-235 Turkish military aircraft violated the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus three times.

On 21 and 22 August 2010, two CN-235 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations three times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus three times.

On 23 August 2010, two CN-235 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations twice and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus twice.

On 24 August 2010, six F-16, three CN-235 and two Cougar Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations seven times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus seven times.

On 25 August 2010, two F-16 and two CN-235 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations three times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus three times.

On 26 August 2010, one CN-235 and one Cougar Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations twice and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus twice.

On 28 August 2010, one CN-235 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations twice and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus twice.

On 30 August 2010, two Cougar Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus.

On 31 August 2010, one Cougar and one Turkish military aircraft of unknown type violated international air traffic regulations twice and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus twice.

On 31 August 2010, two Turkish military aircraft of unknown type violated international air traffic regulations twice and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus twice.

On behalf of my Government, I strongly protest the aforementioned continued violations by Turkey and call for their immediate cessation. These violations contravene international law and air traffic regulations and continue to pose a serious threat to the safety of international civil aviation in the region.

Such systematic attempts by Turkey to undermine the sovereignty and territorial integrity of the Republic of Cyprus put at risk the peace and stability in the entire region. Furthermore, they undermine the efforts to build trust and confidence between the two communities, thus sabotaging the current negotiating process to find a just, lasting and peaceful solution to the Cyprus problem. Such actions are entirely out of place with the expected behaviour of a country currently serving as a non-permanent member of the Security Council.

As stated in previous such letters, the continued violations of the international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus by Turkey should be included in the report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations operation in Cyprus.

I should be grateful, if you would have the present letter circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under agenda item 43, and of the Security Council.

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